



**PATRICIA AND PHILLIP FROST MUSEUM OF SCIENCE RECEIVES \$1 MILLION DOLLAR GIFT
FROM BADIA SPICES**

MIAMI – April 2016 – The Patricia and Phillip Frost Museum of Science, currently under construction in downtown Miami’s Museum Park, announced today that it has received a \$1 million gift from Badia Spices supporting the museum’s capital campaign.

“I recently had the great pleasure of a hard hat tour of Frost Science,” said Joseph “Pepé” Badia, President, Badia Spices. “The science around nutrition and personal wellbeing coupled to the museum’s commitment to education in Miami-Dade County represents a wonderful opportunity for Badia Spices to give back to our community. Our three daughters grew up going to the museum’s location in Coconut Grove. It is an honor to be able to pay it forward!”

“We are extraordinarily pleased to receive such a generous gift from Badia Spices,” said Gillian Thomas, President and CEO, Frost Science. “The chemistry of taste, nutrition and the science of healthy living will come to life at Frost Science, all of which speak to the importance we give to the spice in life. Given the vital role that Badia Spices plays in the fabric of our community, we are very grateful for their wonderful gift and partnership with Frost Science.”

Badia Spices, the world’s leading Hispanic-owned spice manufacturer, joins other foundation and corporate partners and many individual donors who have pledged support of Frost Science in this public-private partnership. Major funding from Miami-Dade County supports the building design and construction and the City of Miami provided the property for Frost Science. Naming donors Patricia and Phillip Frost are joined by the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the Batchelor Foundation, Baptist Health South Florida, The William R. Kenan Charitable Trust, NextEra Energy Foundation and Dell, as well as individual principal donors, including Trish and Dan Bell, Pascale Van Kipnis and Dr. Ted Caplow, Christine Allen, Paula and Robert W. Brockway, Swanee and Paul DiMare, Joseph Falk, Maria Dolores and Maurice R. Ferré, Linda and Dr. David Frankel and the Jack Taylor Family Foundation.

About Badia Spices

Established in 1967 by Jose Badia, Badia Spices is the world’s leading privately Hispanic-owned spice manufacturer. Badia Spices has brought to market the finest ingredients from all

corners of the world, making it a favorite among all types of cooks. More than 350 different products are prepared, packaged and shipped to 70 countries and the entire United States. In addition Badia Spices is committed to offering their consumers the highest quality, at the best price. Badia Spices has added an Organic and Gluten-Free line, and is proud to have its products certified by Safe Quality Foods, an audit recognized around the world as being one of the most rigorous and credible food safety management systems in the marketplace today. For more information, visit the Badia Spice's web site at badiaspices.com.

About the Patricia and Phillip Frost Museum of Science (Frost Science)

Frost Science aims to make a difference in people's lives by inspiring them to appreciate the impact that science and technology can have on every facet of our world. The museum will continue to inspire visitors in a new state-of-the-art facility designed by Grimshaw Architects currently under construction at Museum Park, in the heart of downtown Miami. The museum will be structured around an indoor and outdoor *Living Core* Aquarium of terrestrial and aquatic environments, featuring a Gulf Stream aquarium experience totaling over 500,000 gallons of salt water. The facility will also feature the state-of-the-art full dome Frost Planetarium, the Knight Learning Center, *Innovation Labs* and Cafe, Baptist Health South Florida People and Science Gallery, and an *Exploration Center* featuring permanent interactive exhibits: Feathers to the Stars and The River of Grass. Frost Science is supported by the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County. This project is supported by the Building Better Communities Bond Program and the City of Miami. Sponsored in part by the State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, and the Florida Council on Arts and Culture. The museum is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, is an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution and a member of the Association of Science and Technology Centers. Learn more at frostsience.org